# **OF NOTE**

## **Briefings**

## **★ Mandatory briefing**

Deployment returnees are required to process through the Public Health Office for a health assessment before starting leave.

This assessment is conducted to address or review any health concerns individuals may have related to the deployment.

The assessment is conducted in the Public Health Section, second floor of the clinic, at 7 a.m. or 1 p.m. Wednesday or Friday.

Bring along DD Form 2766, shot record, and any other medical documents. Call 846-3461.

#### **★ Crime prevention**

Briefings on preventing crime are **June 16-17** at 8 and 10 a.m. and 1 and 3 p.m. at the theater.

Bill Cain from the National Crime Prevention Task Force presents the briefing to all military, civilians, associate units and their families.

#### \* Baby information

Bundles for Babies briefing is **June 9**, 8:30-11 a.m., at the Family Support Center.

Learn about baby care and financial issues relating to parenting, and receive a free baby gift pack.

Register at 846-0741.

#### \* Benefits

Veterans Affairs Benefits and Entitlements Briefing is **June 12**, 1- 4:30 p.m., at the Family Support Center.

Register at 846-0741.

#### ★ Disability transition

Disability Transition Assistance Program Seminar is **June 12**, 9-11 a.m., at the Family Support Center. Register at 846-0741.

# **Closings**

## ★ Parents group

The parents with infants group suspends meetings for the summer.

Call 846-0139.

## Education

## **★** Diversity training

The New Mexico Equal Employment and Diversity Council is conducting annual EEO/Diversity Training and Awareness Seminar July 23-24.

Although the council previously was called the Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Los Alamos EEO Council, their training is unchanged.

The seminar is not restricted to managers and human resource people.

For seminar details, visit online at www.eeocouncil.org.

## **★ Enrollment opens**

National American University is enrolling for summer quarter for locations in Albuquerque and Rio Rancho.

The university specializes in degree completion and focuses on adult learning. Offered are associates, bachelors and masters of business degrees.

Classroom settings and online courses are available.

Office hours are available at the base Education Center **Monday** mornings. Call 265-7517.

## **★** College testing

The SAT test is offered **June 16**, 8:30 a.m., at the Education Center for military of all services, Guard and Reserve.

Register in person to get the registration bulletin and sample test.

Call 846-9933 for 846-8955.

## **Events**

## ★ Labor assistance

New Mexico Department of Labor Transition Assistance Program is **June 10-12**, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at the Consolidated Support Building 20245.

The workshop is for military members within two years of retiring. Also eligible to attend are military members who are separating within one year and to civilians undergoing reduction in force. Spouses are also welcome to attend.

The program includes information on job search techniques, resume writing and interviewing and other issues important to transitioning military members.

#### **★** Local tour

"Welcome to New Mexico" tour is **today**, starting from the Family Support Center and visiting Sandia Tram, Cottonwood Mall and Old Town.

Register at 846-0741.

## \* AFA Convention

The Air Force Association Southwest Regional Convention with a golf tournament is **today** and **tomorrow** at the Albuquerque Best Western Winrock Inn.

The golf tournament today is at Arroyo del Oso Golf Course and costs \$29 a person with cart included.

Call Pete Robinson at 343-0526 or e-mail pdrobin77@comcast.net for details and reservations.

## **★** Military exhibit

An exhibit on the Korean War and U.S. Army are **through August** at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial Park Visitor Center, 1100 Louisiana Boulevard Southeast.

Hours are **Friday-Monday**, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

## \* Army Ball

The 2003 Army All-Ranks Birthday Ball is **June 14**, 5:30 p.m., in the Mountain View Club.

Cost is \$20-\$30 a person.

Call Col. Jack Jones, 232-6886 or 845-9867.

#### \* ALS Graduation

The Airman Leadership School hosts a graduation ceremony and luncheon for Class 03-F **July 10**, 11:30 a.m., in the Mountain View Club.

Tickets for \$8 a person for club members and \$10 for nonmembers are available through **July 3** by email at 377MSS.DPN@kirtland.af.mil.

Upcoming class information and eligible attendees can visit the school's website at https://www.mil.kirtland.af.mil/Organizations/als/ALS%20Home.

## \* Hearts Apart picnic

The Hearts Apart picnic for families with deployed members is **tomorrow**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at Bicentennial Park. Volunteers are needed.

Call Tech. Sgt. Lloyd McKenzie, 846-0741.

## **★** Speaker

"What are the U.S. Army Special Forces?" is the topic of a presentation by retired Army Col. Roger Knight, June 21. The presentation at 10:30 a.m. is at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial Park, 1100 Louisiana Boulevard Southeast.



# **OF NOTE**

# **Meetings**

#### **★** Toastmasters

If you are interested in improving your communication skills, you can choose from four Toastmasters Clubs

Kirtland Toastmasters meets **every Friday**, 7:30-8:30 a.m., at Kirtland Federal Credit Union, just outside the Gibson Gate.

Duke City Toastmasters meets **Thursdays**, 6:45-7:45 a.m., in the Distance Learning Center in Building 20604.

Also on the base are the Kirtland MCs, meeting **Thursdays**, 11:30 a.m., at the Coronado Club, and Kirtland New Horizons, meeting **Fridays** at noon at the DOE Training Center in Maxwell Housing area.

Toastmasters members must be at least 18 years old. Call 254-4337.

#### **★** Toddler group

The Parent-Toddler Playgroup for preschoolers and their parents meets **every Wednesday**, 10:30 a.m.-noon, at the Rio Grande Community Center through summer.

#### **★** Hearts Apart

"Conversations from the Heart," a Hearts Apart Discussion Group for famillies with deployed members, meets **June 11**, 5:30 p.m., in the Consolidated Support Building.

Child care is available . Register with Tech. Sgt. Lloyd McKenzie at 846-0741.

#### \* Homeschoolers

Kirtland Homeschoolers Support Group meets **Tuesdays**, 9:30-11:30 a.m., at Bicentennial Park by McDonald's. Many field trips are planned.

The group is open to all families with valid base access.

Call Mike Walti at Family Advocacy Program, 846-0139, or Susan at 275-5886.

#### **★** Reunion

The Air Commando Association/Special Operations Annual Reunion in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., is Oct. 10-12.

For details, call 850-581-0099 or fax 850-581-8988.

On-line, information is available by e-mail at aircomando@aol.com or Web

page at home. earthlink.net/~aircommando1/.

#### \* Tuskegee Airmen

The Gen. "Fig" Newton chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., meets the **second Tuesday** each month, 5-6 p.m., in the Santa Fe Room of the Rio Grande Community Center.

## **Miscellanea**

#### \* Road repairs

Phase II of the repaving project on Texas Street from Gibson Boulevard to G Avenue continues.

Seek alternate routes to the bowling alley, East Fitness Center, Sandia Crest Club and Rio Grande Community Center parking areas.

Minimize pedestrian traffic through the area, and follow construction signage and barricading in the area.

#### ★ 'CRSC' help

The Air Force Personnel Center's Contact Center staff is assisting Air Force retirees who have questions on the Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC) program.

Officials noted that while the staff may be able

to answer basic questions concerning the new law, more complicated questions may be referred to disability experts.

The DSN number for those with access to the military line is 665-5000. Retirees outside the San Antonio area can call toll-free at 866-229-7074.

On the Internet, information is available at https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/crsc/.

## **Personnel**

#### \* Thrift Savings Plan

Thrift Savings Plan accounts open season ends **June 30**.

Military members can enroll through the Defense Finance and Accounting Service Web site at www. dfas.mil/emss/ or by completing the form TSP-U-1 at Personnel, Finance or Family Support.

Information for civilians is at the Thrift Savings Web site: www.tsp.gov/ or the BEST home page at www. afpc.randolph. af. mil/dpc/best/menu.htm and for Air Force military members: www.afpc. randolph.af.mil/

mpf/TSP/thrift\_savings\_plan.htm.

All Air Force-serviced civilian employees must make their TSP contribution elections or changes through the BEST automated phone system at 800-997-2378.

Hearing impaired employees may contact BEST by calling TDD 800-382-0893.

Counselors are available weekdays, 6 a.m.-5 p.m.
Mountain Standard Time.
The BEST Employee Benefits Information System Web application is located at www.afpc. randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST\_GRB/EBIS.

# Recruiting

#### **★ Blood drives**

United Blood Services conducts blood drives at: Sandia National Laboratories, every Tuesday, 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.; Air Force Inspection Agency, today, 8 a.m.-noon; Air Force Safety Center, today, 8 a.m.-noon; Department of Energy, June 11, Conference Rooms A, B and C, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; Space and Missile Center, Detachment 12, June 12, Building 415, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.